**FRESNO, CA -** Congressman Jim Costa (D - Fresno) announced today he will host a grant workshop to acquaint non-profit organizations and local governments with federal and private funding opportunities. Agencies providing information include the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Fresno Regional Foundation and the American Humanics Program at California State University, Fresno. The workshop will be held on Thursday, August 24, at the Economic Opportunities Commission Board Room in downtown Fresno from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

" The workshop aims to provide a better understanding of the federal grants process and show local leaders how to increase their chances of securing funding, " Costa said, noting that the workshop will provide information on grant resources and examples of successful grant proposals.

The workshop is free and open to the public. Those who plan to attend are encouraged to register with Fabiola Gonzalez in Congressman Costa's Fresno District Office at (559) 495-1620 or via e-mail at fabiola.gonzalez@mail.house.gov.

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